

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION

MILTON DWAYNE GOBERT,
Petitioner,

v.

LORIE DAVIS, Director,
Texas Department of Criminal
Justice, Correctional Institutions
Division,
Respondent.

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Civil No. 1:15-CV-42-RP

* DEATH PENALTY CASE *

**RESPONDENT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION
TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL**

The respondent, Lorie Davis (the Director) was last represented in this proceeding by Assistant Attorney General Matthew Dennis Ottoway. It has become administratively necessary, however, to re-assign this case to the undersigned Assistant Attorney General, Adham Bissar. Accordingly, the undersigned moves this Court to permit Matthew Ottoway to withdraw as counsel for the Director and allow substitution of Adham Bissar in his place. The motion is not designed to harass the petitioner or to delay this proceeding, and all correspondence should be sent to the same address.

For the foregoing reasons, the undersigned respectfully requests that this Court grant this motion and allow Matthew Ottoway to withdraw as counsel for the Director and substitute Adham Bissar as lead counsel in his place.

CONCLUSION

The Director respectfully requests that the Court allow Matthew Ottoway to withdraw as counsel and substitute the undersigned as counsel of record for the Director.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

I certify that I conferred with Gobert's counsel, Seth H. Kretzer, about this motion and he stated that he was unopposed to this motion.

/s/ Adham R. Bissar
ADHAM R. BISSAR
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that on January 28, 2020, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court for the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, using the electronic case-filing system of the Court. The electronic case-filing system sent a "Notice of Electronic Filing" (NEF) to the following counsel of record, who consented in writing to accept the NEF as service of this document by electronic means:

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